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Amendments To The Specification

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In the Specification:

On page 10, please amend paragraph [0048] as follows:

[0048] The spring 1202 is advantageously designed so that the force the jaws 1300, 1400 exert on a tissue site is relatively small. In an embodiment, the ear sensor assembly 300 (FIG. 3) utilizes various attachment mechanisms to supplement or supplant the jaw force in maintaining sensor attachment to the tissue site, including an ear hanger 1500 (FIGS. 15A-D), ear boot 1800 (FIGS. 18A-F), adhesive tabs 1710 (FIG. 17C), and/or silicone lenses (FIGS. 19A-D) described below. In a preferred embodiment, the force of the jaws 1300, 1400 on a tissue site is in the range of about 90 gram force to about 140 gram force. In a more preferred embodiment, the jaw force is in the range of about 115 gram force to about 130 gram force. In a most preferred embodiment, the jaw force is about 116 gram force. However, an artisan will recognize from the disclosure herein that a wide number of ranges can be implemented for the jaw force. For example a clip used on trauma or other potentially active patients or difficult tissue sites may use more or less force.